



**Town of Clarkson  
Office of the Supervisor  
Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan**

**APPENDIX B-10N**

**Hazard Specific Analysis: Infestation**

**Definition:**

“Excessive population of insects, rodents or other animals requiring control measures due to their potential to carry diseases, destroy crops, or harm the environment.”<sup>1</sup>

**Description:**

Infestation of any kind can cause significant health problems in addition to overall inconvenience and localized damage dependent on the situation. Agricultural guidelines and restrictions as well as health codes in restaurants, sanitation requirements and measures all help to control this hazard making this a low priority hazard with a rank of 10.

**Overview of specific hazard locations and the extent of the hazard:**

Specific hazard locations and extent of hazard are not easily defined because of the wide range of possibilities, but it must be realized that any infestation can cause significant problems within any locale.

**Previous occurrences of the hazard:**

“Web worms” have been a problem in the recent past causing severe damage to trees in and around the Town of Clarkson. If left unchecked this particular insect could completely destroy large areas of trees over time.

More detail will follow: Dutch Elm Disease

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<sup>1</sup> HAZNY

**Probability of future occurrences and potential magnitude:**

There is always a probability of future occurrence for this hazard with the potential magnitude determined by the specific target of infestation and other factors involved with the “event”.

**Maps of hazard areas:**

Map is not required due to widespread geographic potential.

**Analysis of the impact on business, infrastructure & critical facilities:**

**Specific information concerning estimated value (\$) of potential loss, damage to structures, casualties, etc.**

**Notes on data limitations:** Time and records access.